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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

The Detroit News: Letter: Lansing must fix medical pot law

Denisa A. Pollicella writes "On Feb. 8, the Michigan Supreme Court issued its opinion in People v. McQueen, commonly otherwise known as the 'Compassionate Apothecary' or 'CA' case. The CA was a medical marijuana dispensary in Mt. Pleasant that was cited as a public nuisance because it facilitated the transfer of medical marijuana to patients."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Macomb County Legal News: Court declares medical-pot dispensaries illegal

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Oakland County Legal News.

Oakland County Legal News: Bill coming to legalize dispensaries

[Full story](#)

The State News/East Lansing: Marijuana dispensaries ruled illegal

[Full story](#)

Crain's Detroit Business: Growing like a weed: Michigan businesses sprout, flourish to supply marijuana users

[Full story](#)

The Detroit News: Unions take Michigan right-to-work fight to federal courts

"A coalition of labor unions filed a federal lawsuit Monday challenging the validity of Michigan's new right-to-work law for private sector workers.... The federal lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Detroit, is the second major legal challenge labor unions have mounted in recent weeks to get the law overturned."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Detroit Free Press: Unions sue to fight Michigan's right-to-work law

[Full story](#)

Crain's Detroit Business: AFL-CIO lawsuit challenges Michigan's new right-to-work law

[Full story](#)

Michigan Radio/Ann Arbor: Unions sue again to block Michigan right-to-work law

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Oakland Press.

MLive.com: Michigan AFL-CIO files federal lawsuit seeking to stop right-to-work law

[Full story](#)

Detroit Free Press: Sexual relationship leads to lawsuit (second article)

"A Clinton Township man said his civil rights were violated in a child support case because a Wayne County judge was having a sexual relationship with the mother of his child. Robert King filed a lawsuit in federal court Monday against Judge Wade McCree and Geniene La'Shay Mott."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Macomb County Legal News: High court suspends judge

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Oakland County Legal News.

WJBK-TV(2)/Detroit: Judge McCree has lawsuit filed against him in federal court

[Full story](#)

WDIV-TV(4)/Detroit: Wayne County judge sued by Detroit-area man over relationship with woman in child support case

[Full story](#)

WXYZ-TV(7)/Detroit: Judge Wade McCree sued in federal court for having sex with woman in a case he presided over

[Full story](#)

Detroit Free Press: Former McCotter staffers should face felony charges, says Michigan AG Schuette

"Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette is appealing the dismissal of felony conspiracy charges against two aides to former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, in connection with a scandal over fraudulent nominating petitions. Schuette said in a news release today he had filed an appeal with the Michigan Court of Appeals over dismissals granted Jan. 18 by Wayne County Circuit Judge Margie Braxton."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Detroit News: Schuette appeals dismissal of conspiracy charges against 2 McCotter staffers

[Full story](#)

Ann Arbor.com: Ann Arbor's 15th District Court seeks to address underlying issues that bring people to court

"... [Chief Judge Elizabeth] Hines and the two other judges with whom she shares the 15th District Court bench — Chris Easthope and Joe Burke — appeared before the Ann Arbor City Council during a special work session Monday night to give an update on how different court programs are working."

[Full story](#)

Dowagiac Daily News: Drug courts awarded \$50,000

"Fourth District Court received a \$50,000 grant for Feb. 1 to Sept. 30 to support Cass County's three treatment courts, family treatment, adult drug and sobriety. Judge Stacey A. Rentfrow shared the news with the Board of Commissioners Thursday night."

[Full story](#)

Jackson Citizen Patriot: Letter: Jackson County courthouse makes it difficult for people with disabilities

Robert Marsh writes "On Jan. 23, I went to the Jackson County courthouse to attend a trial. I had expected a handicapped person would have access to a handicapped parking space, but the only space that could be found was at least one block away."

[Full story](#)

Lansing State Journal: Ingham County judge dismisses right-to-work lawsuit over technicality

"An Ingham County judge has dismissed a lawsuit challenging whether Michigan's new right-to-work laws affect state employees. Circuit Court Judge Rosemarie Aquilina said cases challenging right-to-work,

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The Michigan Daily/Ann Arbor: Issue ads topic of panel on Michigan Supreme Court

"The University's Law School co-hosted a forum Monday evening to discuss how Michigan Supreme Court justices are appointed. The event, organized for members of the Law School community, included panelists such as former Justice Marilyn Kelly and Rich Robinson, executive director of the Michigan Campaign Finance Network — a nonpartisan coalition advocates campaign finance reform."

[Full story](#)

Oakland County Legal News: Winter Solstice Party radiates warmth; Proceeds from event help homeless center at church

"... Proceeds [from the Winter Solstice Party December 21] — about \$2,000 this year — were donated to the Homeless Drop-in Center at Cass United Methodist Church in Detroit.... Supporters and friends, including Wayne County Circuit Judge Carole Youngblood, a veteran Winter Solstice Party attendee, began trickling in at 5 p.m., and by closing time it was standing room only."

[Full story](#)

Saginaw News: Judge: Saginaw man who got second-degree murder plea deal can't withdraw plea

"A Saginaw man who avoided a mandatory sentence of life without parole with a plea agreement won't be able to withdraw his plea. Saginaw County Circuit Judge Darnell Jackson on Monday, Feb. 11, denied the request of Corwin L. Roberson, who asked the judge through his attorney to withdraw his guilty plea to second-degree murder."

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